

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Cancel claims 1, 3-22 and 34-64.

Substitute the following claims for the pending claims having the same numbers.

1. (canceled)

2. (currently amended) ~~The well screen according to Claim 1,~~ An expandable well screen, comprising:

a filtering media, the filtering media stretching circumferentially when the well screen is radially outwardly expanded, and wherein the filtering media comprises an elongated strip disposed in a helical configuration.

3-22. (canceled)

23. (original) An expandable well screen, comprising:

an elongated strip of filtering media wrapped helically about a longitudinal axis.

24. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 23, wherein the filtering media includes a woven material with strands thereof oriented helically relative to the longitudinal axis.

25. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 23, wherein the filtering media is disposed in multiple wraps.

26. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 25, wherein each wrap of the filtering media is attached to an adjacent wrap of the filtering media at a connection therebetween, the connection extending helically relative to the longitudinal axis.

27. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 26, wherein the connection between the filtering media wraps comprises a welded seam between the wraps.

28. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 26, wherein the connection between the filtering media wraps comprises a connector positioned between the filtering media wraps.

29. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 28, further comprising a communication line positioned adjacent the connector and extending helically relative to the longitudinal axis.

30. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 28, further comprising a power line positioned adjacent the connector and extending helically relative to the longitudinal axis.

31. (original) The well screen according to Claim 28, further comprising a hydraulic line positioned adjacent the connector and extending helically relative to the longitudinal axis.

32. (original) The well screen according to Claim 23, wherein the filtering media includes a layer of relatively fine filtering material sandwiched between layers of relatively coarse filtering material.

33. (original) The expandable well screen according to Claim 32, wherein the relatively fine filtering material is a sintered woven filtering material.

34-64. (canceled)